

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Prior Application: N. KATOH et al
 Serial No. 10/084,435
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 For: SEMICONDUCTOR INTEGRATED CIRCUIT
 DEVICE, STORAGE MEDIUM ON WHICH CELL
 LIBRARY IS STORED AND DESIGNING METHOD
 FOR SEMICONDUCTOR INTEGRATED CIRCUIT

REQUEST FOR CONTINUATION APPLICATION
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b)

Commissioner for Patents
 Mail Stop Patent Application
 P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

This is a request for filing a continuation application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) of pending prior application Serial No. 10/084,435, filed on February 28, 2002, entitled SEMICONDUCTOR INTEGRATED CIRCUIT DEVICE, STORAGE MEDIUM ON WHICH CELL LIBRARY IS STORED AND DESIGNING METHOD FOR SEMICONDUCTOR INTEGRATED CIRCUIT, by all of the inventors named in the prior application.

1. Enclosed is a copy of the prior application, including the Declaration as originally filed.

2. The Filing Fee is calculated below:

CLAIMS AS FILED IN THE PRIOR APPLICATION
LESS ANY CLAIMS CANCELED BY AMENDMENT BELOW
PLUS ANY CLAIMS ADDED BY ACCOMPANYING PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Basic Fee										\$ 770.00
Total Claims	5	-	20	=	11	x	18	=	\$	0.00
Independent Claims	2	-	3	=	0	x	86	=	\$	0.00
Total Filing Fee										\$ 770.00

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3. A Credit Card Payment Form in the amount of \$770.00 is enclosed to cover the Filing Fee.

4. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1417.

5. New drawings are enclosed, eighteen (18) sheets, Figs. 1-28.

6. The power of attorney is set forth in the Declaration in the prior application or an associate power of attorney is hereby granted to:

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Please associate this application with Customer No. 24956.

9. The prior application is assigned to Renesas Technology Corp.

10. Priority of the following Japanese patent application is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119:

No. 9-359277, filed December 26, 1997.

The certified priority document has been filed in the PCT application.

The undersigned hereby declares that no matter contained in the specification, including the claims, and drawings filed in the present continuation application would have been new matter in the prior application Serial No. 10/084,435, as originally filed on February 28, 2001.

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